

USCG Cruise Ship National Center of Expertise

LT Michael W. Metz

LT Metz reported to the CSNCOE in July 2011 with three years of experience in the Coast Guard Marine Safety Field combined with two years industry experience including:

- 2008 - 2011: Sector Miami Preventions, Vessel Inspection Division
- Conducted over 205 foreign vessel examinations, over 80 being cruise ship exams, and 123 U.S. vessel inspections
- 2007 - 2008: Marine Spill Response Corporation, M/V NEW JERSEY RESPONDER, Assistant Engineer
- 2006 - 2007: Moran Towing Corporation, Assistant Engineer
- 2006: M/V ALLIANCE NEW YORK, Third Assistant Engineer

Major incident response & experience includes the following:

- 2008: Response to fire onboard the M/V ATLANTIC and M/V MYSTIC in the Miami River.
- 2008: ICVE for the M/V NORWEGIAN SKY
- 2009: Response and Port Assessment to Hurricane FAY
- 2010: Coordinated team for Miami River Ship Status List which relayed vital ship schedules to District Seven and ATLANTIC Area Commands in response to the Haiti Earthquake
- 2011: Response and Port Assessment to Tropical Storm BONNIE.
- 2011: ICVE for the M/V MARINA
- 2011: ICVE for the M/V COSTA FAVLOSA
- 2012: ICVE for the M/V RIVIERA
- 2012: Structural Fire Protection Exam for the M/V CELEBRITY REFLECTION

Areas of Emphasis: Foreign Passenger Vessel Exams, Port State Control, and Domestic Small Passenger Vessel Inspections. LT Metz earned eight major marine safety qualifications during his tour at Sector Miami. He is a graduate of the US Merchant Marine Academy where he earned a degree in Marine Engineering and Shipyard Management. He holds a U.S. Merchant Marine Officer License as Third Assistant Engineer for Steam, Motor, and Gas Turbine Vessels of Any Horsepower.